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Rec'd Nov. 13, 1943

Mr. Whitney Shepardson
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Shepardson:

As in the past, duplicate copies of the enclosed lists of code names used in written reports from Istanbul are being sent to Cairo and to Washington.

Kindly handle these lists with the utmost secrecy.

Sincerely yours,

Lanning Macfarland

Enclosures:

Fifth List of Code Names used in Written Reports from Istanbul
Second Supplement to previous Lists of Code Names used in
Written Reports from Istanbul

SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO PREVIOUS LISTS OF CODE NAMES USED IN WRITTEN REPORTS FROM
ISTANBUL

CARNATION

This individual is Chief of Official Roumania News Agency, "Ardor". The Germans did all possible to have him dismissed. He was saved by Mihail Antonescu, who changed his views of the war when the U.S.A. entered. Antonescu has made Carnation his roving press agent; this job is in addition to his work as Director of "Ardor." As Antonescu's roving agent, Carnation has made repeated trips to ROME, BERLIN, STOCKHOLM, and lately to ISTANBUL AND ANKARA, where he will spend much of his time in the future. He is of an honorable family and is a trained diplomat. Both he and the new Roumanian Minister to Turkey, Cretseanu, are strong supporters of Maniu.

ASTER

Due to some confusion which was reported from Cairo, we are dropping to the name Aster and substituting for it the name Gender. Contrary to the statement made in the Istanbul Supplementary List of 9 October, reports emanating from this source are no longer given regularly to British ISLD in Istanbul since (as reported by telegram to Cairo) the British are satisfied with distribution of this material in Cairo.

GANDER

This name will henceforth be used by Istanbul in the same way that it is being used by the Cairo office.

VIOLET

This informant has been proved by Cactus to be thoroughly unreliable and even intentionally deceptive, and may be dropped from the list because he will not be used again.

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POINSETTIA Information emanating from this source has proved to be either exaggeration or a misstatement of fact on many occasions. Istanbul informant, Paprika, considers Poinsettia fairly poor as a possible source of intelligence.

COWSLIP Cowslip is an informant used by Oleander. Cowslip is a South German, 37 years old, SS Gruppenfuhrer, employed in the Foreign Service of the SS, and travelling abroad in the ostensible capacity of an engineer representing the NUREMBERG pencil factory of Staedtler, but on a Government Service passport. His main field is the neutral countries -- Switzerland, Sweden, Spain, Portugal, and Turkey -- but semi-occupied countries like Bulgaria and Rumania also fall within his scope. His task seems to be to report OSS headquarters on foreign opinion about Germany's situation and chances, the effect of German propaganda, and the activities abroad of the German Foreign Office and diplomatic representatives.

PAPRIKA Hereafter the name Paprika will be used not for the entire Turkish SI service, but only for the Colonel in Istanbul who is second in command. He has been designated by Savory to serve as regular liaison with Basil. He speaks only Turkish, but is known to have contacts with the British perhaps as frequently as with us.

CROCUS Crocus is a member of the Board of Directors of the Aussiger Chemical Works in the SUDETEN country, in which capacity he is constantly in touch with leading industrialists, lawyers, officials, and Party functionaries of that region. His last stay there was in August last, when he visited AUSSIC and REICHENBERG.

GINGER Ginger is an employee of the Greek Consulate in Istanbul, used by us principally for information on personnel and politics. This informant has an excellent background, is very intelligent, and energetic, and is generally unaffected by any diplomatic blight.

CITRON Citron is an Italian newspaperman with an American wife. In order to carry on his work for us, he has publicly taken a political stand which is contrary to his own beliefs.

THYME Thyme is third in command of Turkish SI, Istanbul. He is able to converse in English. He was formerly Turkish Military Attache in Iran, in which capacity, he was cultivated by the military attaches of all countries, due to the special privileges which Iran grants to Turkish military representatives.

SAVORY Savory is the head of the Istanbul branch of the Turkish Secret Service, controlling, among other things, intelligence, counter-espionage and special operations. His rank is that of Colonel. He has had sixteen full years of experience in the intelligence service; prior to that, he was a cavalry officer. He speaks only Turkish, but apparently maintains at least occasional contacts with the Germans whether directly or indirectly as we do not know), and he also

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Savory (Cont'd)

has contacts with the British perhaps as frequently as with us. This man is also well-known to Captain Trammel, United States Naval Attache, Istanbul, and has on occasion cooperated very well with him.

<u>NUTMEG</u>	J. Curtis
<u>ARBUTUS</u>	L. Beeler
<u>MARIGOLD</u>	F. Turner
<u>SMILAX</u>	H. Arnold
<u>TULIP</u>	Representative collaborating with <u>Cereus</u>

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SUPPLEMENT TO FIRST THREE LISTS OF CODE NAMES USED IN WRITTEN REPORTS FROM ISTANBUL:

- PAPRIKA: Reports emanating from this informant may also have been given by the informant himself directly to the British, and for this reason distribution of Paprika reports to the British is generally to be avoided.
- ROSE: Reports emanating from this source have already been given by the source himself in their original large and untouched form to the State Department in Turkey.
- ASTER: Reports emanating from this source are regularly given by special agreement to British ISLD in Istanbul.
- POINSETTIA: Dissemination of reports emanating from this source should, in general, not be extended to our Allies since they may already have received much of this material from the same source.

FOURTH LIST OF CODE NAMES USED IN ISTANBUL WRITTEN REPORTS:

- CARNATION: Theodor Solacolu, Rumanian press agent in Istanbul
- LICORICE: Representative of Rumanian Secret Service in BUCHAREST, cooperating with LOBELIA
- LOBELIA: Representative of Rumanian Secret Service in ISTANBUL, Cooperating with LICORICE
- VERVANE: Representative of OWI in Istanbul

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